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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chairman, National Disaster Support
Task Group

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ATTENTION

SUBJECT

: Requested Changes in Draft Report
of Subject Task Group

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REFERENCE

: Your Memorandum of 28 May 1970 with
Attachment

1. It is the considered opinion of those with whom I have consulted in the interests of the DCI and the CIA that the unclassified portion of the draft report include no references whatsoever to classified additions or to "national authority" as used in a context which might raise a question of meaning from those who are not cleared. Therefore, I must request that the following changes be made in the unclassified draft, preferably before its submittal to the ARGO Steering Committee.

a. Delete "F. CLASSIFIED ANNEX" from
INDEX page.

b. On page 4 of the DISCUSSION, I recommend that, in the description of functions of the Secretariat, the following changes be made:

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"1. Coordinate the requirements for aerial photography and initiate requests for coverage, through appropriate channels.

"2. Coordinate the extent of need for photo interpreters and other technical support and initiate requests for such support through designated channels.

"3. Coordinate the dissemination of information and available photography as needed, to support information needs and to permit timely decisions at the Federal, State, and local levels."

c. On the first page of RECOMMENDATIONS under 3.b., change the second line to read ". . . Government, including the Department of Defense," Also under RECOMMENDATIONS on the second page under 3.d. delete the last sentence which now starts "There is nothing implicit"

d. Under ANNEXES delete "INCL. 5 DOD (not attached)", "INCL. 1 (not attached)", and "F. CLASSIFIED INDEX".

e. Under ANNEX A delete the last sentence of the second paragraph starting "The DoD inclosure" and substitute a full paragraph which would read:

"The Department of Defense has reconnaissance planes that would be suitable for acquisition of aerial photography and might be made available, when appropriate, to provide some support; but the individual platforms and their sensor systems are not included in this report."

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2. I recommend that the so-called "CLASSIFIED" material of the draft report be combined into a single attachment not identified with the unclassified portion of the draft but carrying the title:

"T-KH ANNEX
to the
REPORT BY THE NATIONAL DISASTER SUPPORT TASK GROUP"

a. The lead-off paragraph, to clarify the stated desire of the Special Security Center, should read:

"This ANNEX shall be handled in accordance with the established procedures and constraints of the TALENT-KEYHOLE system. All copies shall be under the control of the CIA Special Security Center, which will insure that copies will be made available at designated secure areas to appropriate individuals on a 'must-know' basis."

b. I further recommend that the first section of the ANNEX, following this paragraph be headed, at margin, as follows: "I. PLATFORMS AND SENSORS", with two subheadings under this, both centered, which would be: "U.S. AIR FORCE RESOURCES (SECRET)" and "NATIONAL RESOURCES". Under these subheadings, but without referring to ANNEX A, Inclosure 5, and ANNEX A, Inclosure 5-A, all of the paragraphs and platform descriptions as given in the draft could be included.

c. The heading for the second section, at margin, should read: "II. TASKING CHANNELS".

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I would again suggest omitting reference to ANNEX B, Inclosure 1. Under this heading all of the information given in the draft could be included, and I request the addition, in paragraph 2 after ". . . the Director of Central Intelligence", of the following: "(or his designated representative)".

d. The third section, at margin, should read: "III. PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESSING CAPABILITY", followed by the material in the present draft but excluding reference to ANNEX C, Inclosure 1.

3. I feel that the T-KH ANNEX should stand on its own feet and its various parts need not be considered as Inclosures to the Annexes of the classified report. This is only my personal preference and I hope the Task Group may agree to the type of internal format which I have suggested above.

Otto E. Guthe
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